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For: CONTAINER FOR LIQUID FOOD PRODUCTS AND

PROCEDURE FOR

PACKAGING SAID LIQUID

FOOD PRODUCTS

ATTENTION: Refund Section
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REQUEST FOR A REFUND OF 50% OF THE FILING FEE

MS 16 Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following documentation and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

DOCUMENTATION

Attached hereto is:

a copy of written assertion of small entity status filed on even date herewith under separate cover; and/or

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a copy of an executed Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (37 C.F.R. § 1.9(f) and 1.27(a)(1)) - Small Business Concern filed on even date herewith under separate cover.

REMARKS

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.28(a), applicants hereby request a refund of 50% of the Filing Fee. Small entity status has been established by the filing of a written assertion/statement on October 13, 2006.

Small entity applicants may now file the necessary Statement within three (3) months of the date of payment of any particular fee and request a refund. The present application qualifies for the reduced fees as implemented by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on October 1, 1982, and further amended on January 20, 1983 and September 8, 2000.

The present application was filed on August 14, 2006 with a filing fee of \$900.00. It is respectfully requested that the excess fee of \$450.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-2448.

Favorable action on the present Request is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

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